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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. **352**

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***"AN ACT EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON APPROVAL OF
PROGRAMS OF INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
EDUCATION."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (l) of section 10a-34 of the 2018 supplement to
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2018*):

6 (l) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) to (j),
7 inclusive, of this section and subject to the authority of the State Board
8 of Education to regulate teacher education programs, up to twelve new
9 programs of higher learning in any academic year and any program
10 modifications proposed by an independent institution of higher
11 education, as defined in section 10a-173, shall not be subject to
12 approval by the Office of Higher Education, until July 1, [2018] 2020,
13 provided (1) the institution maintains eligibility to participate in

14 financial aid programs governed by Title IV, Part B of the Higher
 15 Education Act of 1965, as amended from time to time, (2) the United
 16 States Department of Education has not determined that the institution
 17 has a financial responsibility score that is less than 1.5 for the most
 18 recent fiscal year for which the data necessary for determining the
 19 score is available, and (3) the institution has been located in the state
 20 and accredited as a degree-granting institution in good standing for
 21 ten years or more by a regional accrediting association recognized by
 22 the Secretary of the United States Department of Education and
 23 maintains such accreditation status. [All institutions] Each institution
 24 that [are] is exempt from program approval by the Office of Higher
 25 Education under this subsection shall file with [said] the office (A) an
 26 application for approval of any new program of higher learning in
 27 excess of twelve new programs in any academic year, (B) a program
 28 actions form, as created by the office, prior to students enrolling in any
 29 new program of higher learning or any existing program subject to a
 30 program modification, and (C) not later than July first, and annually
 31 thereafter, [(A)] (i) a list and brief description of any new programs of
 32 higher learning introduced by the institution in the preceding
 33 academic year and any existing programs of higher learning
 34 discontinued by the institution in the preceding academic year, [(B)]
 35 (ii) the institution's current program approval process and all actions
 36 of the governing board concerning approval of any new program of
 37 higher learning, and [(C)] (iii) the institution's financial responsibility
 38 composite score, as determined by the United States Department of
 39 Education, for the most recent fiscal year for which the data necessary
 40 for determining the score is available."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2018	10a-34(l)
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